

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION
Standards Section -- Room N642**

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**DESIGN MEMORANDUM NO. 99-08
TECHNICAL ADVISORY**

TO: All Design, Operations, and District Personnel, and Consultants

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SUBJECT: Project Oversight Agreement between the INDOT and the FHWA, Indiana Division

SUPERCEDES: Section 40-7.0, FHWA Involvement (ISTEA) including Figures 40-7A and 40-7B of the Indiana Design Manual

EFFECTIVE: April 1, 1999

A new Project Oversight Agreement between the Indiana Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration, Indiana Division, has been signed, and became effective on April 1, 1999. According to the terms of the Agreement, the FHWA will normally only provide oversight on Interstate New Construction/Reconstruction (4R) / Partial Reconstruction (4R) projects with a construction cost exceeding \$1 million. On all other projects with federal funding participation, INDOT will assume all project responsibilities including normal day-to-day design activities.

The FHWA is not precluded from reviewing or investigating any phase of the federal-aid program or any federal-aid projects, especially those that contain unique features or those with unusual circumstances which would make it desirable to have FHWA oversight.

On all projects on the Interstate System which have an estimated construction cost exceeding \$1 million, the procedures set out in Section 40-6.02(03), Item 3 of the Indiana Design Manual should be followed.

Figure 40-7B, FHWA Oversight Exemption Letter, is no longer required.

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